Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota

Office Of The Governor

WHEREAS, Humboldt, South Dakota, was surveyed as a township by William J. Neely in August 1859, and the subdivision was made eight years later in 1867 by H. T. Austin; and,

WHEREAS, In 1879, the Chicago, St. Paul, Minneapolis and Omaha Railroad built a stopping place at Humboldt; and,

WHEREAS, The name of Humboldt was chosen by predominantly German people in the fall of 1880—they chose to honor the German naturalist botanist-scientist, Baron Alexander Von Humboldt, who was known to have followed railroad builders west in quest of his study; and,

WHEREAS, The first official post office was established on February 14, 1889 in Humboldt; and,

WHEREAS, The plot of land on which Humboldt is located was surveyed in July 1891 and staked out into blocks by D. O. Rice; and,

WHEREAS, The town of Humboldt was incorporated on August 2, 1911; and,

WHEREAS, The citizens of Humboldt exhibited that pioneer spirit necessary to build this great state; and,

WHEREAS, Humboldt will celebrate its centennial in July 1989:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GEORGE S. MICKELSON, Governor of the State of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim June 29, 30, and July 1, 1989, as

HUMBOLDT CENTENNIAL DAYS

in South Dakota.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Fifteenth Day of August, in the Year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Eighty-Eight

GEORGE S. MICKELSON, GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

JOYCE HAZELTINE, SECRETARY OF STATE